

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Investigation into the ratemaking implications for Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) pursuant to the Commission's Alternative Plan for Reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code for PG&E, in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of California, San Francisco Division, In re Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Case No. 01-30923 DM.

Investigation 02-04-026
(Filed April 22, 2002)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING
GRANTING MOTION FOR ORAL ARGUMENT**

On February 14, 2003, the City and County of San Francisco and The Utility Reform Network filed a joint motion asking that a date be set for oral argument "before President Michael Peevey and other Commissioners as the Assigned Commissioner deems appropriate." (Motion, page 3.) The time for responses was reduced to seven days. (Ruling dated February 18, 2002.) No responses were filed. In particular, no party responded by joining in the motion, independently requesting an opportunity to present oral argument, or opposing the motion.

The motion should be granted. Further, this ruling should be served on the service list of subscribers to the Commission Meeting Agenda. In this way, the oral argument will be a noticed Commission meeting, and if three or more Commissioners attend, it will be a Commission meeting. If less than three

Commissioners attend, it will not be a Commission meeting, but the oral argument will go forward as would an oral argument in any Commission hearing.

IT IS RULED that:

1. The February 14, 2003 joint motion of the City and County of San Francisco (CCSF) and The Utility Reform Network (TURN) for oral argument is granted to the extent provided herein, and denied in all other respects.

2. Oral Argument shall be held from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., on April 2, 2003, in the Auditorium, State Office Building, 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, California.

3. Any party other than CCSF and TURN who would like to present oral argument shall file and serve a motion by March 26, 2003. Responses to any such motion shall be filed and served by March 27, 2003. If different that stated below, a final schedule shall be served by electronic mail by April 1, 2003.

4. Absent the granting of a motion to present oral argument filed by another party, the agenda shall be as shown in Attachment A. Parties and Energy Division may be interrupted by questions from the Commissioners or Presiding Officer, and such interruptions, if any, shall not add to the allotted time unless permitted by the Assigned Commissioner.

5. This ruling shall be served on the service list for this proceeding and also on the service list for subscribers to the Commission's Meeting Agenda.

Dated March 18, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ BURTON W. MATTSON

Burton W. Mattson
Administrative Law Judge

ATTACHMENT A

**AGENDA FOR ORAL ARGUMENT
I.02-04-026**

**April 2, 2003
9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
Commission Auditorium**

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| 1. Opening Comments from Commissioners | 5 minutes |
| 2. Opening Argument | |
| City and County of San Francisco | 20 minutes |
| The Utility Reform Network | 20 minutes |
| 3. Closing Argument | |
| City and County of San Francisco | 5 minutes |
| The Utility Reform Network | 5 minutes |
| Energy Division | 5 minutes |
| 4. Adjournment | |

(END OF ATTACHMENT A)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail, and by electronic mail on those with electronic mail addresses, this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Granting Motion for Oral Argument on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated March 18, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ FANNIE SID

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